House Resolution No. 336

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are continually impressed with the longevity experienced by those citizens who attain the status of centenarian and pause to recognize this tremendous milestone in the life of an esteemed resident of Jackson Residential Care in Jackson, Missouri; and

Whereas, Grace Meehan celebrated her One Hundredth Birthday on January 13, 2003, in the company of her many family members and friends, some of whom included her daughter-in-law, Betty Meehan of Jackson; her grandchildren, Steve Whaley and Dan Meehan of Jackson and Peggy Wolf of Burfordville, and their spouses, and Deanna Meehan of Jackson, wife of Dick Meehan, who was unable to attend; her great-grandchildren, Amanda Whaley and Christopher Meehan; and other relatives from St. Louis; and

Whereas, God brought a special gift to this great nation in 1903 with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Grace, who would put a twinkle in people's eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, Grace Meehan made her formal debut one hundred years ago along with such celebrities as singer, songwriter, fiddler, and bandleader Roy Claxton Acuff; singer and actor Harry Lillis "Bing" Crosby; comedian Leslie Townes "Bob" Hope; and orchestra leader Lawrence Welk; and

Whereas, an individual who has lived during an era of incredible progress, Grace Meehan was born the same year that the first World Series baseball game was played and the Rolls-Royce automobile company was founded in Britain; and

Whereas, Grace Meehan has been an eyewitness to numerous national and international events, many of which are familiar to others only through the pages of history:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Grace Meehan at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Grace Meehan, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by
Representative Scott A. Lipke
District No. 157
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 336, adopted February 12, 2003.